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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7528.0002-15

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Cyril J. SCHWEICH, Jr. et al.

Application No.: 10/073,968

Filed: February 14, 2002

For: HEART WALL TENSION
REDUCTION APPARATUS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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) Group Art Unit: 3762

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2002, a request for a one month extension of time and fee payment being filed herewith, please amend this application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 32 and 33, and add new claims 40-79, as follows:

32. (Amended) The device of claim 15, wherein the connector is configured to be positioned adjacent a surface of the chamber.

33. (Amended) The device of claim 32, wherein the connector is curved.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time, a Terminal Disclaimer, and an Amendment responsive to the Office Action of September 27, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

A claim fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	65	-	25	40	x \$ 18	\$ 720.00
Indep.	7	-	3	4	x \$ 84	\$ 336.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	
					Subtotal	\$ 1056.00
					Reduction by ½ if small entity	- 528.00
					TOTAL	\$ 528.00

A check for \$638.00 is enclosed to cover the \$55.00 extension of time fee, the \$55.00 terminal disclaimer fee, and the \$528.00 extra claims fee.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Dated: January 24, 2003

By: Susanne T. Jones
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